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## Dent secures \$1.8 million for transportation, economic and community development projects

WASHINGTON, D.C. — U.S. Rep. Charlie Dent (PA-15) announced funding for several local initiatives in the Transportation, Treasury, HUD, Judiciary, and District of Columbia Appropriations Bill for FY2006, which passed the House today.

The Congressman secured funding for the following projects:

- \$800,000 for Main Street Extension Realignment in Freemansburg, to fix significant road damage done by Hurricane Ivan.
- \$400,000 for Geospatial Emergency and Response System (GEARS) Intelligent Transportation Systems demonstration project in Lehigh and Northampton Counties. The project will mitigate traffic congestion; improve safety; and provide an emergency response and management system to facilitate evacuation;
- \$300,000 for expansion of Allentown Art Museum, including funds requested by U.S. Sen. Arlen Specter
- \$100,000 for construction of the Da Vinci Discovery Center of Science and Technology at Cedar Crest College, Allentown.
- \$100,000 for construction of the Lehigh Valley Heritage Center at Fourth and Walnut Streets, which will be the home of Lehigh County Historical Center.
- \$100,000 for renovation of KidsPeace Broadway Campus, Fountain Hill

“These projects are important priorities for the region, in transportation, economic development and community service,” Congressman Dent said. “As always, I seek funds for projects our community has determined to be a priority. I am grateful to our Senators, Rick Santorum and Arlen Specter, for working with me on these initiatives.”

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